

**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application No.: 10/536,775

Examiner: Christopher S. Bobish

Applicant: Nigel Paul Schofield

Art Unit: 3746

Title: VACUUM PUMPING SYSTEM AND  
METHOD OF OPERATING A VACUUM  
PUMPING ARRANGEMENT

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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.114**

Dear Sir/Madam:

This Amendment is in response to the Final Office Action of May 26, 2010 and the Interview Summary of September 27, 2010, and filed in conjunction with a request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114. Applicant respectfully requests for a two-month extension of time, and reconsideration of the application based on the amendments and remarks provided.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this Amendment.

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this Amendment.